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Dear Parents,

As approach the end of the academic year I would like to take this opportunity to say how wonderful your children have been. I felt so proud when reading their annual reports. I would like to thank the staff and Governors for their continued hard work and commitment to the children. Our school community is a very special one and I feel incredibly lucky to be part of it.

End of Term timing

A reminder that we will be finishing at the earlier time of **1.15pm** on Wednesday 22nd July, the last day of term.

PTA Circus – Saturday 18th July



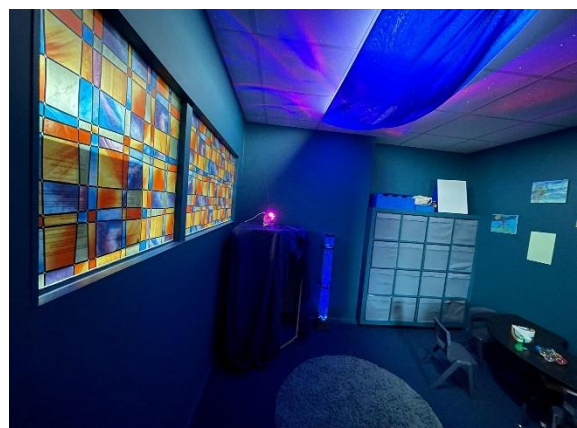
We're looking forward to seeing you at the PTA Circus event on Saturday 18th July. If you haven't done so already, please order your tickets which can be booked through the [PTA website](#). There are two shows to choose from: 1.00pm or 2.30pm.

The PTA work hard to arrange these events for our families and it would be wonderful to see as many of you there as possible. Please share information about the event with friends and family – everyone is welcome.

Rainbow Room

Following my request earlier this year for donations to help us to renovate and improve our Rainbow Room, we were hugely grateful to Mr and Mrs Kitching (Year 2 parents) who very generously donated £1,000 from their company, [LB Windows and Doors Ltd](#). for this project.

Since then, Mrs Nelson has worked hard to renovate the room together with Mrs Burditt and Mrs Diovisalvi who gave their time during a school holiday to re-paint the room. I think you will agree from the photos, they have created an amazing space for children who benefit from a calm environment for learning, time for emotional regulation, and focused adult support. The staff have also found it to be a calm and relaxing space at the end of a busy day!



British Sign Language School Board

Following a request to Chloe's and Sophie's Special Ears Fund (CSSEF), we have been given a British Sign Language School Board which has been erected in the playground. CSSEF are a charity who aim to 'Brighten the lives of Deaf children' and are passionate about raising deaf awareness in the local community. You may remember that this was the charity that our School Council chose to collect donations for following the Christmas play performances in December.



Staffing update

Miss Condliffe, Mrs McLean and Mr Clarke will be leaving Prior Heath at the end of term and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for everything that they have done for our school and wish them well for the future.

In September, we will be welcoming Mrs Bradford back from maternity leave. We will also be welcoming Mrs Bryan to the teaching team. Mrs Bryan is an experienced teacher who will be teaching in Rowan class and we look forward to welcoming her to our school community.

Mrs Vinson will be going on maternity leave during September and Mrs Hearnshaw will be covering Mrs Vinson during her absence. We will update you with news of the new arrival in September.

INSET Days for 2026/27

A reminder that the INSET days for the 2026/27 school year when school will be closed to children, are as follows:

Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd September 2026: (School will re-open for children in Year 1 and Year 2 on Thursday 3rd September. The children in Year R will join us in school from 10th September following their home visits and settling-in sessions).

Monday 4th January 2027

Tuesday 4th May 2027

Monday 28th June 2027

School will also be closed for the bank holiday on Monday 3rd May 2027. The other bank holidays all fall within the holiday dates.

The school term and holiday dates for 2026/27 and 2027/28 are available on the school website.

Volunteer Helpers

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteer helpers who have given up their time to help in school across the year – your help and support is very much appreciated by the staff and children. If you would like to volunteer to help in school for the 2026/27 school year, further information will follow in September.

School Meals

Earlier this year, we were informed that Surrey County Council would not be providing school meals through Twelve15 from September 2026 onwards. As a result, we joined a consortium of other local schools to tender for a new supplier. Following a lengthy process, the supplier that has been chosen by the consortium is [Dolce](#) who are an award-winning education caterer.

Dolce operates an online pre-order system and further information will be provided, along with their menus for the autumn term.

After School Clubs – Autumn Term

After school clubs will begin to operate from the week commencing 7th September. Further information including sign-up details for all clubs was sent via ParentMail on 2nd July. Details are as follows:

Day	Club	Provider	Time	Year groups & start date
Monday	Coding	Jam Coding	2.55 – 3.50pm	1 & 2 from 7 th September
Tuesday	Football	360 Sports Education	2.55 – 3.55pm	1 & 2 from 8 th September
Wednesday	Tennis	David Gill	2.55 – 3.45pm	1 & 2 from 9 th September
	Kids on Stage	Terri Jayne Theatre Arts	2.55 – 3.55pm	1 & 2 from 9 th September Year R from January 2027
	Science Club	Mad Science	2.55 – 3.55pm	1 & 2 from 16 th September
Thursday	French	La Jolie Ronde	2.55 – 3.35pm	1 & 2 from 17 th September
	Multi Sports	360 Sports Education	2.55 – 3.55pm	1 & 2 from 10 th September Year R from January 2027
Friday	Street Dance	Terri Jayne Theatre Arts	2.55 - 3.55pm	1 & 2 from 11 th September Year R from January 2027
	Rocksteady	Rocksteady Music School	Sessions run between 1.30 & 2.50pm	1 & 2 from 4 th September

Surrey Libraries Summer Reading Challenge 2026

The Surrey Libraries Summer Reading Challenge is back! This year's theme is "Read to the Beat" and further information can be found here: <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/>

If your child would like to participate in the challenge, you can visit your local library to sign up or alternatively, you can sign up online. We will celebrate any children that complete the reading challenge when we return to school in September and look forward to hearing about all of the wonderful books that they have managed to read!



Keeping us Informed

It is important that we keep up to date information on the children. Please would you inform the office if contact details change and also if we need to update the children's medical information or dietary requirements. Thank you.

Lost Property

We have a huge quantity of un-named lost property in school. The lost property box is located near the school office – please do come and check it at any time. Any unclaimed items will be given to the PTA for the second-hand uniform supply or disposed of at the end of term.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'L. Chivers', written in a cursive style.

Mrs L. Chivers
Headteacher

Diary Dates

2025/26 Academic Year

Friday	17 th July 2026	The children are invited to wear football clothes or home clothes with something red and/or white to school.
Saturday	18 th July 2026	PTA circus event – shows at 1.00pm and 2.30pm
Wednesday	22 nd July 2026	End of summer term at 1.15pm – please note early closure.

2026/27 School Year

Tuesday	1 st September 2026	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Wednesday	2 nd September 2026	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Thursday	3 rd September 2026	Start of school year for children in Year 1 and Year 2. Reception children will have a separate induction timetable.
Monday to Friday	19 th to 30 th October 2026	Autumn half term – please note this is a two week half term.
Friday	18 th December 2026	End of autumn term at 1.15pm – please note early closure.
Monday	4 th January 2027	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Tuesday	5 th January 2027	Start of spring term.
Monday to Friday	15 th to 19 th February 2027	Spring half term.
Thursday	25 th March 2027	End of spring term at 1.15pm – please note early closure.
Monday	12 th April 2027	Start of summer term.
Monday	3 rd May 2027	Bank holiday – school closed.
Tuesday	4 th May 2027	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Monday to Friday	31 st May to 4 th June 2027	Summer half term.
Monday	28 th June 2027	INSET Day – school closed for staff training.
Tuesday	28 th July 2027	End of summer term at 1.15pm – please note early closure.